

In the Claims

1.-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp comprising carotenoids, wherein astaxanthin comprises less than about 80% of the total carotenoids.

5. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 4, wherein the non-astaxanthin carotenoids comprise one or more carotenoids chosen from .beta.-carotene, .gamma.-carotene, lutein, lycopene, zeaxanthin, and canthaxanthin.

6. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp comprising a lutein level higher than about 5 µg/g fresh weight.

7. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp comprising a Flavor Enhancer.

8. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 7, wherein the Flavor Enhancer is chosen from bromophenol, 2,6-dibromophenol, 2,4,6-tribromophenol, and iodine.

9. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 8, wherein the Flavor Enhancer comprises 2,6-dibromophenol at a level higher than about 0.06 µg per kilogram fresh weight.

10. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 8, wherein the Flavor Enhancer comprises 2,4,6-tribromophenol at a level higher than about 6 µg per kilogram fresh weight.

11. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 8, wherein the Flavor Enhancer comprises 2,6-dibromophenol and 2,4,6-tribromophenol at levels higher than about 0.06 and 6 µg per kilogram fresh weight.

12. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp comprising a cholesterol level lower than about 8.0 mg per gram fresh weight.

13. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 12, wherein the cholesterol level is lower than about 6 mg per gram fresh weight.

14. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 13, wherein the cholesterol level is lower than about 1.0 mg per gram fresh weight.

15. (Currently Amended) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp comprising a docosahexaenoic acid/eicosapentaenoic acid (DHA/EPA) ratio greater than 1.0, wherein the shrimp were fed one or more components chosen from microalgae enriched with DHA and microalgal extracts enriched with DHA, wherein the microalgae is selected from Schizochytrium sp., Schizochytrium aggregatum, and Schizochytrium aggregatum ATCC 28209.

16.-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp fed an exclusively vegetarian diet comprising hydrolyzed plant protein and microalgae.

19. (Withdrawn) An Organic shrimp.

20. (Withdrawn) A 100% Organic shrimp.

21. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp that has been certified as Organic by the United States Department of Agriculture.

22. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp that has been certified as 100% Organic by the United States Department of Agriculture.

23. (Withdrawn) A shrimp feed comprising red rice yeast.

24. (Withdrawn) The shrimp feed of claim 23, wherein comprising a Monascus sp. red rice yeast biomass chosen from a whole biomass, a lysed biomass, a fraction of a whole biomass, and a fraction of a lysed biomass.

25. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 24, wherein the Monascus sp. comprises Monascus purpureus.

26. (Withdrawn) A shrimp feed comprising components chosen from DHA, lutein, lycopene, zeaxanthin, bromophenols, and chlorophyll.

27. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising from about 10 to about 1000 mg/kg 2,6-dibromophenol.

28. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising from about 10 to about 1000 mg/kg 2,4,6-tribromophenol.

29. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising from about 10 to about 1000 mg/kg 2,6-dibromophenol, and from about 10 to about 1000 mg per kilogram 2,4,6-tribromophenol.

30. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising DHA, wherein the DHA level is greater than about 12.5 µg/g fresh weight.

31. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising lutein, wherein the lutein level is greater than about 5 µg/g fresh weight.

32. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising lycopene, wherein the lycopene level is greater than about 5 µg/g fresh weight.

33. (Withdrawn) The feed of claim 26, comprising zeaxanthin, wherein the zeaxanthin level is greater than about 6 µg/g fresh weight.

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Currently Amended) A method of producing a shrimp exhibiting a DHA/EPA ratio greater than 1, wherein the method comprises feeding to said shrimp one or more components chosen from microalgae enriched with DHA and microalgal extracts enriched with DHA, wherein the microalgae is selected from Cryptocodonium sp., Schizochytrium sp., Schizochytrium aggregatum, and Schizochytrium aggregatum ATCC 28209, Thraustochytrium roseum ATCC 28210, Thraustochytrium sp. ATCC 26185, Thraustochytrium sp., Thraustochotrium visurgense ATCC 28208, Ulkenia sp., Pavlova sp., Tetraselmis sp., and Isochrysis sp.

36. – 37. (Cancelled)

38. (Withdrawn) A method of producing a shrimp comprising providing the shrimp with a feed comprising a biomass enriched in one or more carotenoid.

39. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 38, wherein the biomass is chosen from one or more of microalgae, marigold extract, marigold petals, tomato extract, and processed tomato biomass.

40. (Withdrawn) A method of increasing the desirability of the flavor profile of a shrimp by adding one or more Flavor Enhancers to the shrimp's feed.

41. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 40, wherein the Flavor Enhancer comprises one or more bromophenols.

42. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 41, wherein the Flavor Enhancer is chosen from 2,6-dibromophenol and 2,4,6-tribromophenol.

43. (Previously presented) A method of feeding a shrimp to a human or non-human animal, comprising providing for the animal's consumption a shrimp, wherein the shrimp were fed one or more components chosen from microalgae enriched with DHA and microalgal extracts enriched with DHA, wherein the microalgae is selected from Schizochytrium sp., Schizochytrium aggregatum, and Schizochytrium aggregatum ATCC 28209 and wherein the shrimp comprises a docosahexaenoic acid/eicosapentaenoic acid (DHA/EPA) ratio greater than 1.0.

44. (Withdrawn) The shrimp of claim 1, further comprising carotenoids, wherein astaxanthin comprises less than about 80% of the total carotenoids.

45. (Withdrawn) An aquaculturally-raised shrimp depleted in cholesterol and enriched in one or more omega-3 long chain polyunsaturated fatty acids selected from DHA, arachidonic acid (ARA) and EPA; one or more carotenoids, selected from β-carotene, γ-carotene, lutein, lycopene, astaxanthine, zeaxanthin, and canthaxanthin; and one or more flavor enhancing compounds, selected from 2,6-dibromophenol, 2,4,6-tribromophenol, and iodine; wherein the shrimp is depleted and enriched through aquaculture.